FHE MONTHLY MIX
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# **Shop Local This Year**

2023 is upon us! A new year means starting fresh and doing away with the old. It also means setting goals as the calendar starts over. One of my goals is to shop locally made products more! Big chain stores don't need us, but small businesses around the area do. There are so many great items you can purchase that originate from right here in Texarkana and I'm excited to share a few of my favorites with you!



#### **OAKCREEK FURNITURE**

For 18 years now, their American Made furniture has been handcrafted to the highest possible quality! If you are in the market for new wooden furniture, then look no further than their Amish made pieces. The craftsmanship will impress you and the piece you purchase will definitely

become furniture that will be enjoyed for decades to come!



#### **MANEBANGLE**

I always seem to need a hair tie when I don't have one. This concept changes the game with this stylish holder that can also be worn as an accessory on the wrist! These high-quality leather ties are very soft yet conforming. Choose from a variety of colors and patterns that will go with

any outfit! They are available at Gable's Gifts & Gratitudes.



#### LAVENDER THORNE

Buy all-natural, non-toxic products you can feel good about using for the whole family! These products are made from all natural ingredients. From facial and body products to cleaning and baby wellness items, they truly have something for all your needs!



#### ZAPATA'S MARGARITA

If you haven't had one yet, then what are you waiting for? They are the perfect mix of sweet and tangy. They make one of the best frozen margaritas around! There's just something about that combination of Cointreau, margarita mix, and tequila paired with the iconic styrofoam cup.

## JULIE'S WHITE CHOCOLATE STRAWBERRY CAKE

This cake is a must have for any celebration! This delicious vanilla cake with white chocolate strawberry mousse filling and frosting is sure to be a hit. Grab some fun cocktail napkins from their storefront to use while enjoying this sweet treat!



### LOCAL HABIT

Start your morning with a delicious cup of locally brewed coffee! They make their roasts from 100% Arabica coffee beans. They have many flavors to choose from. You can use their products in reusable K-Cups in Keurig machines if you don't have a regular coffee pot at home!



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